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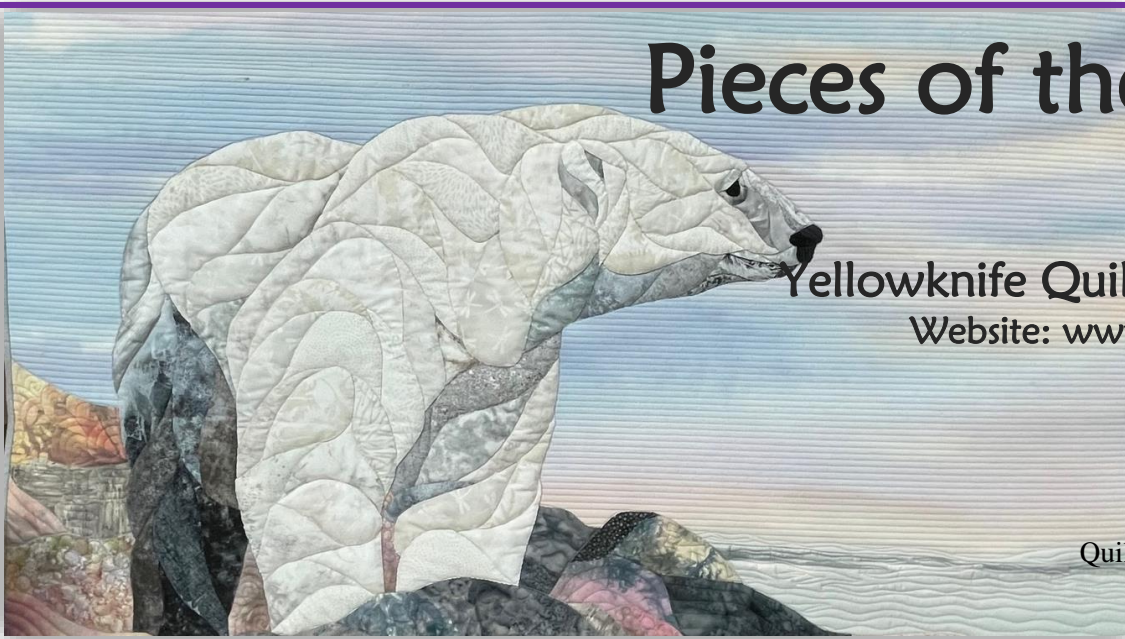
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Next Meeting

February 8, 2024 at
7 pm @ Baker Centre.

President's Letter

It's hard to believe that we are closing in on February already! January rushed by in a bundle of scarves, toques and mitts. It is finally warming up nicely. As it turned out, postponing our January guild meeting by a week was a good thing all around. Not only did we stay home on a very cold evening, we probably would have been even colder in the Baker Centre as they were having heating issues.

Many of us have been working on the Sharing Gifts quilts and we now have enough to begin distributing them to the affected families. Teresa will be making contact with the Northern Properties team working with the families. We will keep you updated on the deliveries. We are continuing to collect to squares Christine Hoiland is adding to the newsletter. Feel free to work on current squares as well as November, December and January squares. This is an easy way for

Happy Valentine's Day, February 14, 2024



President's Letter (continued)

everyone to participate the Sharing Gifts quilts without making an entire quilt. The executive is loving the scrappy style of blocks completed to this time.

January's Sewcial Saturday was held January 13 in the former Roy's AVU. Six quilters were working on both machine and hand quilting projects. Sewcial Saturdays are a great way to have a dedicated sewing time with other quilters. Lots of conversation, Q & A's, and productivity are had by all. The February Sewcial Saturday will be February 10, in lower level of YK Centre, exact location to be determined. Feel free to contact me to sign up at lbromley2011@gmail.com. There is room for up to 10 quilters.

Details on our Out of Town instructor will be coming soon. Donna will be chatting about this at the February meeting. May 3 - 5, 2024, at the Ski Chalet is the time and location.

Our Spring Retreat will be May 17 - 19, at the Ski Chalet. We are looking for quilters to help organize the weekend. There needs to be some new thinking and planning for this great weekend of quilting, eating and laughing. If you are willing to help, contact me at lbromley2011@gmail.com and we can discuss a planning session.

Quilt lots, stay warm and be safe.

Leslie Bromley
President

Upcoming Out of Town Instructor Melissa Marginet May 2 – 5, 2024



Canadian Quilt Instructor Melissa Marginet will be joining us from
May 2 - 5, 2024!!!

She will be teaching 3 classes related to Walking Foot Machine
Quilting and will be doing a trunk show as well. The lecture is
scheduled for Thurs May 2 and classes will be held Friday May 3,
Saturday May 4 and Sunday May 5.

All 3 classes will be different so you may wish to take one, two or all
three.

Class fees will be the same as usual - \$95.00 for full day
class/\$47.50 for evening class.

More information and registration details to follow.

February 2024 Quilt Block

Welcome to our fourth block in our series to continue support of our Sharing Gifts Program. If you are unfamiliar with the Sharing Gifts program, please review the policy on our website at <https://ykquiltersguild.ca/about-us-1> (the link to the Sharing Gifts Policy is at the bottom of Supporting Sharing Gifts page).

If you missed previous blocks and are interested in making them, visit the guild's website at <https://ykquiltersguild.ca/resources-page-1> to download the instructions.

Aw56241 Our block pattern for February 2024 is the (Super Duper) **Easy Hourglass block**.



We will be using the Missouri Star Quilt Company's technique to make the block. You can watch the video on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oK8vOFzYzwM>. Block construction starts around 1:00 minute into the video and goes to 7:10 minutes.

Using this method, you will make a total of 4 hourglass blocks.

Color Way: Your choice of colors/prints.

What you need:

Eight different 5" squares.

Use a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Your stitch line should fall just inside the $\frac{1}{4}$ " line on your ruler when measuring the seam allowance.

Step 1.

Make two 4 patches out of your eight squares.

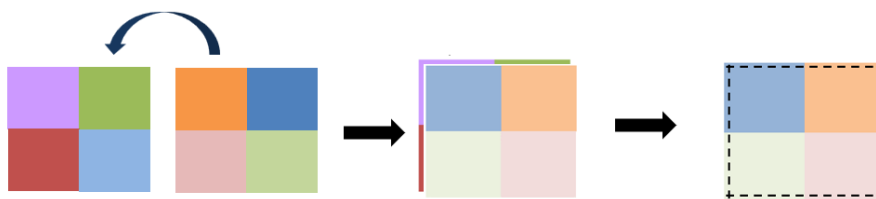
- Match up your squares into two sets of 4 and sew together to form two four patches.
- Press seams as you go.



Step 2.

Make a sandwich.

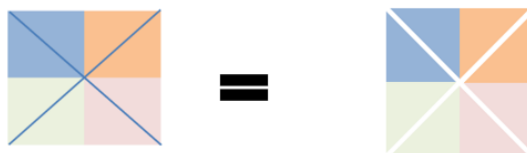
- Lay one four patch block on top of the other – right sides together to build the unit.
- Check the squares underneath the top 4 patch squares to make sure you have contrasting colors.
- Sew around the 4 edges using your scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam.



Step 3.

Cut the unit to reveal 4 hourglass blocks.

- Make a diagonal cut in both directions across the unit.



- Open and press each section to reveal the hourglass blocks!
- Square up to $6\frac{1}{4}$ " x $6\frac{1}{4}$ ".



What a fun and quick way to make hourglass blocks! I hope you enjoyed making these.

Bring your completed block(s) to the February meeting. If you're unable to attend the meeting you can have a friend, bring them on your behalf. You can also drop them off in the guild's basket at the Quilted Raven (top of the library shelf) no later than February 7th for the February meeting and I will pick it up and bring it to the meeting. If dropping off blocks, please put your name on them so I can announce who made them.

Christine

January's Draw Winner:

Mystery Bag Worth approx. \$140



Congratulations
Emily

A note from a member....

I have a table that doesn't fit my Pfaff. Is there someone missing a table? Or has anybody have an extra table that doesn't fit their machine?

Mickey Brown
445-2552

For Sale Janome My Style 100 Sewing Machine (Still in the Box)

Everyone has to start somewhere, and this is a great starter machine and just the right size to take wherever you go – all yours for \$300!

Key Features

- Sturdy design
- 4-Step buttonhole
- Automatic declutch bobbin winder
- 300 – 800 stitches per minute
- Easy change accessory feet
- 12 stitches including stretch, reinforcing and decorative
- Magnetic horizontal full rotary hook
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- Maximum zigzag width 5 mm
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- Stops winding when the bobbin is full
- Quick foot conversion: feet simply snap into place
- Drop feed lever for attaching buttons, free-motion quilting or darning: simply slide the lever to drop the feed dogs and go
- Carry handle

Contact Linda Whitford 867-445-5424



January Show 'n Tell



January Show 'n Tell (continued)



Recipe Corner



We all struggle when preparing meals for our families while we have been spending the day quilting. Your problem is solved here in our new QUILTER'S RECIPE CORNER!! Each month we will give you a quick, tasty and healthy option so you can spend more time working on your projects and not in the kitchen! If you have a recipe that you use that's quick to prepare, please send it to us at quiltingyk@gmail.com. We would love to use it in our Corner.



Sweet Baby Ray's Crockpot Chicken

Tried the recipe with drumsticks instead of chicken breasts and only used half bottle.

Provide by Leslie Thomas, saw it on Facebook

Source: <https://www.justapinch.com/recipes/main-course/chicken/sweet-baby-rays-crockpot-chicken.html>

Ingredients:

- 4 - 6 chicken breasts, boneless and skinless
- 1 bottle sweet baby ray's bbq sauce
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup vinegar
- 1 tsp red pepper flakes
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup brown sugar
- $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp garlic powder

Directions:

1. Mix BBQ sauce with vinegar, red pepper flakes, brown sugar and garlic powder.
2. Place chicken in crockpot (still frozen is ok). Pour sauce mixture over chicken.
3. Cook on LOW 4-6 hours.



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Please send articles, news, favorite quilt websites, tips, and other quilt related items for the newsletter to:

leslie06thomas@gmail.com

With the subject "For the Newsletter"

Deadline for submissions is the 3rd Thursday of the month by 7:00 p.m.

Draws at the guild meeting

The following draws take place at each Guild meeting:

Mystery Bag
\$2 each
Members only

Door Prizes
Free
Members & Guests

Guest Policy

Guests are welcome to join us at any meeting. If a guest returns for a second or subsequent meeting, there is a \$5 charge per visit. For details, please see the full policy on the website.

Members Giveaway Table

More and more Guild members are purging their stashes and offering items to Guild Members at the meetings. We will be setting up a table in the outer hallway for any items you would like other members to treasure.

Meeting Etiquette

Please be courteous when someone has the floor and refrain from other conversations.

Executive for 2023-2024

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Vice President	Leslie Thomas
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Treasurer	Donna MacDonald

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Cindy Taylor (Membership), Charlotte Babicki (Librarian), Debbie Gillard (Web Site), and Leslie Thomas (Newsletter) and Linda Whitford on our social media pages.



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